



## Historic Educator and Farm Demonstrator

### Responsibilities

- cares for livestock throughout site and at the Animal Barn.
- may be assigned hand-milking duties on a regular basis.
- demonstrates and explains the agricultural activities (field work with draft horses, livestock care and use of machinery, cutting wood, morning and evening chores, etc.) using authentic methods to school tours, day camp groups, educational programs and the general public
- actively involves general visitors in hand-on activities.
- conducts education programs primarily through May and June and October for both children and adults as assigned
- works closely with Historic Farmer to achieve site goals and projects consistent with the interpretive themes; fulfills agricultural plans, projects and goals on Historic Farmer's days off
- staffs special weekend programs and winter season programs as scheduled.
- studies and understands historical resource materials and other information provided.

### Qualifications

Good communication and interpersonal skills required. Ability to perform physical tasks (minimum strength requirement-50 pounds) needed to authentically re-create a 19<sup>th</sup> c. farm with the ability to work successfully in an outdoor environment. Must possess enthusiasm for interpreting to school groups and the general public. Previous experience with livestock (draft horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, etc.) plus the ability to successfully complete Old World Wisconsin's Oxen and Horse Driving Training Programs a plus. Previous experience in historical farming methods and living history interpretation a plus. Willing to learn historical information and demonstrate it to general visitors and school groups. College degree or working towards a degree in agriculture, history, American studies or related field preferred. Previous experience as a volunteer or working with volunteers helpful.

### Position Status/Benefits

Seasonal position April to November (schedule includes working Saturday or Sunday); part-time hours available November to December (schedule depends on number of programs booked). State residency required. Valid driver's license required. Limited Term Employment position, \$8.50-\$9.00/hour depending on experience.

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